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1. Informant believes that the Soviets have decreased their forces, especially army forces, in Sassnitz. [redacted] no Soviet troops have been observed marching in groups during the past five to six months; fewer Soviet officers and soldiers have been observed mingling with civilians and East German soldiers than in the past; and the control of foreign vessels in Sassnitz has been carried out by East German officers and soldiers since the beginning of April, i.e., Soviet officers and soldiers no longer board all foreign vessels which arrive in Sassnitz. Informant noted, however, that the Soviets still continue to check and control all German vessels and all trawlers coming into the port. Furthermore, the port area, i.e., streets leading to the port area and the port itself, and the railroad station are still controlled and guarded by Soviet soldiers. People working in the port must carry a special pass in addition to their normal identity cards.
2. No military installations are being erected in Sassnitz and the nearby area. However, many dwellings, probably for civilians, are being constructed.

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